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| For: MICROPARTICLES, |) | |
| MICROPARTICLE PRODUCTION |) | |
| METHOD, AND MICROPARTICLE |) | |
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Ex parte Quayle Office Action dated December 24, 2008, the period for response to which runs through February 24, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows: